

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

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### THE ANTHENAUM TO-NIGHT.

The annual banquet of the Athenaeum Literary Society, the fifteenth of the series, will be unique and novel in that it will be a banquet without anything to eat. Out of compliment to Mr. Hoover it is not only meatless and wheatless but absolutely eatless. The thirty members with their wives or sweethearts and an equal number of guests usually constitute the banqueters, but this time only about 80 "covers" are to be laid. The guests will assemble in the parlors of Hotel Latham at 8:15 and repair to the dining room at 9 o'clock to indulge in a feast of reason with perhaps a little punch.

Trotzky, who helped to wreck Russia, is now bemoaning the fact that Russia has no army. The Huns are overrunning all of the eastern part of the country with no show of opposition.

An agreement has been reached by paper mill owners and employees to extend the present scale of wages until a new one can be drawn up. This agreement will avert a strike.

The French trade commission has issued complaints against 23 tea and coffee companies charging unfair practices and conducting lotteries.

Emperor Charles, of Austria, is said to be again getting very anxious for peace.

Pugilist Vic Moran's wife has sued him for divorce because he lost his fight with Jack Britton.

Dr. Charles Maria de Pena, minister from Uruguay, died in Washington, Tuesday.

One saloon quit May 1, but there are still 22 left.

## AMERICANS MUST LEARN SWIMMING

SOLDIERS IN ALL TRAINING CAMPS TO BE TAUGHT DURING COMING SUMMER.

Swimming is to be taught soldiers in the training camps this summer as a military requirement under plans announced by the Commission on Training Camp Activities. Competent instructors will be provided at each cantonment and where adequate water facilities do not exist they will be provided.

"Ability to swim," said the commission's announcement, "is regarded as highly valuable in the army because many times a soldier is compelled to swim streams where bridges and boats are not available. In the present instance it is of particular value because of the war zone, for when a ship is torpedoed it has been found that the man who can swim is invariably saved as he is able to keep afloat until the lifeboats or rescue vessels reach him."

During the year 1912 and 1913, the city of Hopkinsville maintained a swimming pool in the river, erecting a dam for the purpose, and many of the boys who have now gone to the front learned to be expert swimmers. The dam is still in the river but for some unknown reason the floodgate is left open and the river is allowed to go dry in summer. Three years ago 300 High School pupils signed a petition to have the floodgate closed but it was not formally presented to the council and no effort has since been made to fill the river bed for use in summer.

### ON LAST LAP.

(By International News Service.) Washington, May 1.—The Treasury announced to-night that \$2,579,079,400 has been subscribed to the Liberty Loan.

Miss Agnes Reed Binford of Fulton, Ky., is the guest of Miss Mary Danforth on East 9th street.

Mrs. A. M. Wallis and Mrs. J. H. Brown are in Louisville to meet Mr. Fred A. Wallis, who has been called to Lexington by the death of a relative of his wife.

T. J. Baugh left on the midnight train for Louisville and will be gone a couple of days.

# HUNS BUSY BURYING DEAD

## AMERICAN STEAMER ATHENS RAMMED BY CRUISER AND SUNK

Seventy four Lives Lost, Including 12 United States Marines Corps Recruits Enroute to a Training Camp.

(By International News Service.)

Atlantic Port, May 1.—The coastwise steamer, Athens, was rammed early to-day off the Virginia Capes by a French cruiser. Seventy-four of the passengers and crew are reported drowned. She went down in seven minutes after being struck. The survivors were picked up by a cruiser and brought here this evening. Among the drowned were twelve United States Marine Corps recruits who left New York Tuesday afternoon for a Southern training station. Five survivors of the party of twenty-four arrived here this evening. Late to-night the dead were placed at 69, passengers and crew. The ship collided while running at a fair speed in a dense fog. The city of Athens was struck on her star board side near bow and sank in seven minutes. Fire which started immediately after the collision added to the panic.

## BIG BUNCH ROUNDED UP

BOPP, VON BRINCKEN AND VON SCHACK FINED \$10,000 EACH GIVEN PRISON TERMS

San Francisco, Calif., May 1.—One lurid chapter in the history of Germany's intrigue to win mastery of the world was closed Tuesday when United States District Judge William C. Van Fleet pronounced sentence upon twenty-nine German-Americans and Hindus convicted of having conspired to overthrow British rule in India.

The trial of the principals in the world wide conspiracy was a series of sensations including exposure of criminal German diplomacy and the shooting to death of two Hindu defendants in the courtroom a week ago.

The total of the prison terms imposed was twenty-three and two-thirds years, and the fines totalled \$64,000.

Louis T. Hengstler, San Francisco admiralty lawyer, was the only defendant to escape a prison sentence. Judge Van Fleet remitted a jail term of four months after Hengstler made a plea to the court, asserting his Americanism and denouncing German imperialism. A fine of \$5,000 remained against him.

Guilt for the conspiracy was placed squarely on the German supreme command. Judge Van Fleet characterized the Hindu conspirators as mere catpaws of the "ruthless Prussian military system." He told them that they had their revolution succeeded and had they been placed under such a system they would have spared no effort to escape it.

The German foreign office embassy at Washington and consulate at San Francisco were the nerve centers for the world wide plot to wrest India from England. Judge Van Fleet declared in sentencing Frans Bopp, Wilhelm von Brincken and E. von Schack the heads of the consulate. Bopp and von Schack were given the maximum sentences provided by the laws for violation of neutrality, two years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine each. Von Brincken was sentenced to run concurrently with a similar judgment hanging over him as a result of his conviction for participating in bomb and dynamite plots against the government in Canada.

Private J. C. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson, sailed Monday for France from an Atlantic port.

## PRESIDENT MAKES OFFER

WANT'S BOND BUYERS TO JOIN HIM IN TAKING ONE MORE BOND.

The editor of the Kentuckian last night received the following telegram from Wm. McCormick Blair, director of the Four Minute Men of the Committee on Public Information.

Washington, D. C., May 1. Chas. M. Meacham, Hopkinsville, Ky.

Notify all speakers to make this proposition to all audiences:

President Wilson realizing the vital necessity of increasing the number and size of individual subscriptions, says he has already bought to his limit but offers to buy one more fifty dollar bond on the installment plan at the rate of seventeen cents daily and asks how many in all American audiences will match him for new or additional subscriptions, his offer being made simultaneously to every meeting in America just as if he were present. Have all speakers pound this hard at every meeting and secure subscriptions.

BLAIR.

## KENTUCKY FUTURITY

TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE ENROLLED FOR 1918 ENTRIES.

Lexington, Ky., May 1.—Two hundred and twenty-three breeders have made entries in the Kentucky Futurity for foals of 1918, according to the announcement from the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' association. Eight hundred and ninety-nine nominations have been received, and of this number the Patchen-Wilkes farm of W. E. D. Stokes leads with ninety-eight. The Walnut Hill farm of the late L. V. Harkness is second with eighty-five, while J. R. Magowan of Mt. Sterling, Ky., ranks third with fifty.

An examination of the list enclosed 110 different stallions represented. Of these the records of six range from 1:58 1/4 to 2:05, while a total of twenty are in the 2:10 class. Seven are themselves futurity winners, while two have sired futurity winners.

The list of stallions is headed jointly by San Francisco and Peter Volo, with 64 mares to the credit of each. J. Malcolm Forbes is third with 56; Peter the Great, fourth, with 45, and Guy Axworthy, fifth, with 42.

Kentucky leads the states in the number of entries, with 398; New York is second, with 76; Ohio is third, with 73; Indiana, fourth, with 72, and Pennsylvania, fifth, with 47. Other states and the number of entries from them follow: Massachusetts, 37; Wisconsin, 37; Illinois, 27; Nebraska, 23; Michigan, 15; West Virginia, 13; Alabama, 10; Texas, 10; New Jersey, 7; Tennessee and Iowa, 6 each; Maryland, Connecticut, Missouri and Canada, 5 each; Georgia, 4; Arkansas, New Hampshire and California, 3; Kansas, 2; Minnesota, Oklahoma, North Dakota, South Carolina, North Carolina and Colorado, 1 each.

### ON ALL FRONTS.

British casualties reported in April reached a total of 52,475, divided as follows:

Killed or died of wounds: Officers 1,621, men 7,723.  
Wounded or missing: Officers 7,447, men 39,664.

## ALIEN ENEMY IS ACCUSED

PROSECUTING ATT'Y CLAIMS TO HAVE WITNESSES AGAINST SCHUMANN.

(By International News Service.)

Concord, N. H., May 1.—Warrants were issued here today for the arrest of Otto Schumann, an interned alien enemy, for the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King. It is alleged that Schumann shot Mrs. King while trying to kill Gaston B. Means who was later accused of the shooting and was tried and acquitted of the murder. The prosecuting attorney claims he has two witnesses who saw Schumann at Blackwelder Springs on the night of the tragedy and saw him hurry away on a motorcycle after the shot was heard.

## BIG CRACK IN LIBERTY BELL

RECEIVES BIG LOT COINS FOR BELGIAN AND FRENCH ORPHAN CHILDREN.

The big Liberty Bell sat on the corner in front of Cook's drug store all day yesterday and by a few deaf ears its peals were not heard. But these ears were few and did not often pass that way. The old bell did not ring out in the clear clarion-like tones to be heard by the ears as she was heard in 1776, but now its peals are changed to appeals and they have come to us from across the deep and dark blue ocean from an impoverished land and outraged people made so by the horrifying cruelties of a war-mad and damnable lot of blood-thirsty Huns.

All day yesterday Misses Nora Golliday, Lena Clark, Bess Thomas, Katherine Cook, Florence Bassett and Mrs. Edwina Smith, captained by Mrs. Ira L. Smith and Miss Mary Clark, worked faithfully on the street corners reminding passersby that there are thousands of little orphan Belgian and French children in the devastated sections of those countries and suggested that they drop a coin into the big bell for the support of those little ones. People had only to be reminded and the coin was forthcoming. All who gave a coin were decorated with a lily-of-the-valley, and everybody at night fall was wearing a flower. Many gave quarters, half-dollars and dollars. The largest donation of the day was \$10 by Mr. T. J. McReynolds.

When the money in the bell was counted last night it amounted to \$161.85. The committee stated last night that the generosity of the farmers in contributing to this cause deserved much praise.

The fund collected yesterday will be added to the \$103 collected at the Tabernacle on Parade Day and sent through New York to Gen. Joffre in France, who is at the head of the commission in France which is looking after the welfare of the orphan children.

The people are being aroused in this country as never before to the grim necessities of sacrifices and many are willing to pour their wealth into this great war flood if it will only win the conflict for humanity and democracy.

## HOUSING BILL PASSES SENATE

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 1.—A bill appropriating \$60,000,000 for housing war workers in arsenals, munition plants, navy yards, etc., passed by Senate this afternoon. It now goes to the House.

## SEC'Y LANSING WILL TALK

GROWING DEMAND IN CONGRESS FOR WAR AGAINST BULGARIA AND TURKEY.

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 1.—Secretary of State Lansing will appear before the Foreign Relation Committee of the Senate to-morrow for a formal discussion of the future relations between the United States, Bulgaria, and Turkey. The conference is made necessary on account of the growing demand in Congress for a declaration of war against the two countries, which are allied with Germany and still not classed as enemies of the United States. President Wilson's view will be made known to the committee when Secretary Lansing makes his appearance before them.

## FALLS 60 FEET FROM BUGGY

A RUNAWAY HORSE RUNS AGAINST DUMMY POLICE AT NINTH AND MAIN.

Much excitement was aroused last night just after 9 o'clock when a horse driven by Leslie Long came down the hill from S. Main street at break-neck speed and ran the buggy against the concrete center piece at the Ninth and Main crossing. Many persons were on the streets at that hour and witnessed the accident.

The left fore wheel of the buggy struck the concrete pillow and stripped the wheel clean from the hub. The speed of the horse was so great that the driver, according to reliable witnesses, fell 45 feet away and slid 12 or 15 feet after the fall. The horse belonged to Dr. Isbell and was caught by Jarred Renshaw and others when it fell on the sidewalk with the buggy hung up on the light post in front of the Bank of Hopkinsville. The buggy was almost completely wrecked.

Leslie Long came to Hopkinsville Monday and is studying under Dr. Isbell for a veterinary surgeon. He came from Chicago. After being thrown from the buggy he was picked up unconscious and revived and led to the office of Dr. Stites where he was examined by Drs. Stites and Bell and found not seriously hurt but considerably bruised about the limbs and dazed for some time. A late report last night said he was doing nicely.

## HELPING ROADS

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 1.—Railroad administration has loaned \$90,614,000 to various railroads under the operation by the Government, it was announced to-day.

## GETTING TIRED

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 1.—The Senate leaders have expressed a desire to adjourn the Senate by July.

### AT JENNIE STUART HOSPITAL.

Moscoe Brummett, a medical patient, ill with pneumonia, shows improvement.

Miss Elizabeth Carver underwent an operation yesterday and is doing nicely.

Master William McCullom was very low last night, with his condition more critical than it had been at any time heretofore.

## HAIG'S GUNS HAVE GIVEN THE INVADERS NO REST, BUT SHOT AND SHELL AND BOMBS OF GAS HAVE ADDED TO THE VICTIMS OF SUICIDE BEND.

## NEW CANNON FOOD BROUGHT UP

(By International News Service.)

London, May 1.—This was a sombre May day for the German troops in Flanders. Gloom hung heavily in the air. Death was omnipresent, it came rolling across in waves of gas, with which British and French man-teled Mount Kemmel. It thundered from the throats of Field Marshal Haig's heaviest pieces all along suicide bend. So vast in number were those killed and wounded in Monday's vain onslaughts, that the salvage work was still in full swing late to-day and the German commanders could give no thought to new assaults. German heavy artillery got busy in the afternoon, however, and by to-morrow a new storm is expected to break loose.

London, May 1.—A Franco-British bombardment of Mount Kemmel with gas shells is reported to-night by the Reuters correspondent at the Flanders front. He adds that the Germans spent the entire day collecting their wounded and burying their dead.

London, May 1.—Heavy shelling in the region of Bethune and Loos, towns in Flanders, is reported to-night in Gen. Haig's report.

## NO STRIKE OF TELEGRAPHERS

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 1.—There will be no strike of commercial telegraphers pending the appearance of Representatives of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies next Wednesday before National War Board. The announcement was made to-night by the president of the telegraphers' union.

## 2ND DISTRICT INSTITUTE

OF CHRISTIAN CHURCHES OPENED THREE DAY SESSION LAST NIGHT.

Between fifty and seventy-five delegates had arrived last night for the opening session of the Second District Institute of Christian churches, which began a three-day session at the Ninth street Christian church. A fine program has been arranged and many subjects of interest and importance to members of this church will be discussed by able and well informed delegates and visitors.

In the absence of the president Mr. C. C. Omer, the vice-president, presided at the opening session, and Mr. A. H. Eckles delivered the welcoming address. This honor was to have fallen to L. K. Wood but he was compelled to be absent on account of the serious illness of his mother.

The notable features last night were special music by a chorus of 50 voices and the orchestra and an address by E. B. Barnes, of Paducah, who spoke instead of E. L. Miley.

Some of the notables in attendance are: E. L. Miley, Hickman; Mrs. W. C. Stanley, Louisville; J. S. Hilton, of the Widows and Orphans Home, Louisville; and Chancellor Homer W. Carpenter, Transylvania University, Lexington.

All delegates present, and any others who may arrive today, are being entertained in the homes of members and at the hotels.

An interesting program will fill the day and everybody is invited to attend and hear the discussions and other features.

## FIVE BIG ONES

(By International News Service.)

New York, May 1.—Five banking houses to-day subscribed thirty million dollars to Liberty Loans.

## GOVERNMENT TO TAKE WOOL

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 1.—The war needs for woolen goods resulted today in the war industries board announcing that all available wool in the country will be taken over by the Government.

## MAY DAY WEDDING BELLS

MISS GRACE SALLEE AND MR. MUKE NELSON, JR., PLIGHTED THEIR TROTH.

In a beautiful church wedding at five o'clock yesterday afternoon, at Grace Episcopal church, Miss Grace Sallee became the bride of Mr. Muecelan Hunt Nelson, Jr. The church was elaborately decorated for the occasion and was filled with the friends of the young couple. Miss Clara Donte presided at the organ and played the wedding march.

Messrs. Ben Moore, Phil Thompson, Whit Radford and John Gunn were the ushers and following them came the matron of honor, Mrs. Phil Thompson, the bride's sister, and the bridesmaid, Miss Florence Bush.

Then came the beautiful bride upon the arm of her brother, Mr. Garrett Sallee. They were met at the altar by the groom and his best man Mr. Hugh Nelson, his brother.

The double ring ceremony was used by Rev. Geo. C. Abbott, who impressively united the pair in the bonds of matrimony according to the ritual of the Episcopal church.

The bride was attired in a going away coat suit of midnight blue cloth. She wore a cream colored georgette waist with a touch of blue and carried a corsage bouquet of Sunburst roses and lilies of the valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson left at once for a brief trip and will be at home next week at their suburban farm on the Palmyra pike, adjoining the Country Club. The groom is one of Hopkinsville's most prominent young men, a representative of one of the county's pioneer families. He is a splendid type of the progressive young farmers who are making Christian one of the greatest counties in Kentucky. His bride is the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac G. Sallee, and is one of Hopkinsville's loveliest girls, bright, beautiful and attractive.

The young couple were the recipients of many beautiful and useful bridal presents, that attested the esteem in which they are held by a wide circle of friends.